
Public Notice

Applicant:
Kenneth W. Wood, Jr.

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**U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers**

In Reply Refer To:

Buffalo District CELRB-CO-R RE: 95-690-24(2) Section: NY 10 and 404

**Application for Permit under Authority of
Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and
Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).**

Kenneth W. Wood, Jr., 7 Farm Drive, Central Square, New York 13036, has applied for Department of the Army approval to excavate a 710 foot long navigation channel in Federal wetlands adjacent to Oneida Lake. The project area is located at 7 Farm Drive, in the Town of West Monroe, Oswego County, New York. The purpose of the project is to provide access to the lake and mooring for watercraft having a maximum length of 30-35 feet and draft of up to three feet.

A navigation channel 610 feet long by 61 feet wide by six feet deep has been proposed to be excavated. This area is labeled on Drawing 2 of 3 as Proposed Access Channel-Inland Section. Excavation of this channel will impact 0.40 acre of Federal Wetland. The applicant proposes to excavate the Inland Section (Phase 1) with a trackhoe (excavator) and bulldozer during the Summer/Fall months. It will take approximately 5-10 days. To minimize water quality impacts, an earthen plug (minimum length 25 feet) will be left in place at the proposed outlet until Phases 1 and 2 are completed.

The applicant also proposes to dredge 70 cubic yards of silt material below Ordinary High Water (OHW) from the bottom of the lake. This area is labeled on Drawing 2 of 3 as Proposed Access Channel-Lake Section. The dredge zone dimensions below OHW are approximately 100 feet long by 25 feet wide by 0.75 feet deep. The Lake Section (Phase 2) has been proposed to be excavated during the winter months (November through March). The earthen berm will then be removed after completion of Phase 2.

All excavated material will be disposed of at designated upland locations on the applicant's parcel (Fill Areas #1-3). There will be no fill placed in Federal wetlands. To further reduce possible siltation impacts, the applicant has proposed to install silt fencing around the excavation area.

The applicant has also proposed to install three, 20 foot by 20 foot, open-pile docks. However, only 10 feet by 20 feet of area will be over the waterway.

Location and details of the above described work are shown on the attached maps and drawings.

Questions pertaining to the work described in this notice should be directed to David W. Leput, who can be contacted by calling (716) 879-4191, or by e-mail at: david.w.leput@usace.army.mil

The following authorization(s) may be required for this project:

Water Quality Certification (or waiver thereof) from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

There are no registered historic properties or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places that will be affected by this project.

In addition, available evidence indicates that the proposed work will not affect a species proposed or designated by the U.S. Department of the Interior as threatened or endangered, nor will it affect the critical habitat of any such species.

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, parts 320-330. Any interested party desiring to comment on the work described herein may do so by submitting their comments, in writing, so that they are received no later than 4:30 pm on the expiration date of this notice.

Comments should be sent to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York 14207-3199, and should be marked to the attention of David W. Leput, or by e-mail at: david.w.leput@usace.army.mil. A lack of response will be interpreted as meaning that there is no objection to the work as proposed.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be fully considered during the public interest review for this permit application. All written comments will be made a part of the administrative record which is available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act. The Administrative Record, or portions thereof may also be posted on a Corps of Engineers internet web site. Due to resource limitations, this office will normally not acknowledge the receipt of comments or respond to individual letters of comment.

Any individual may request a public hearing by submitting their written request, stating the specific reasons for holding a hearing, in the same manner and time period as other comments.

Public hearings for the purposes of the Corps permit program will be held when the District Commander determines he can obtain additional information, not available in written comments, that will aid him in the decision making process for this application. A Corps hearing is not a source of information for the general public, nor a forum for the resolution of issues or conflicting points of view (witnesses are not sworn and cross examination is prohibited). Hearings will not be held to obtain information on issues unrelated to the work requiring a permit, such as property ownership, neighbor disputes, or the behavior or actions of the public or applicant on upland property not regulated by the Department of the Army. Information obtained from a public hearing is given no greater weight than that obtained from written comments. Therefore, you should not fail to make timely written comments because a hearing might be held.

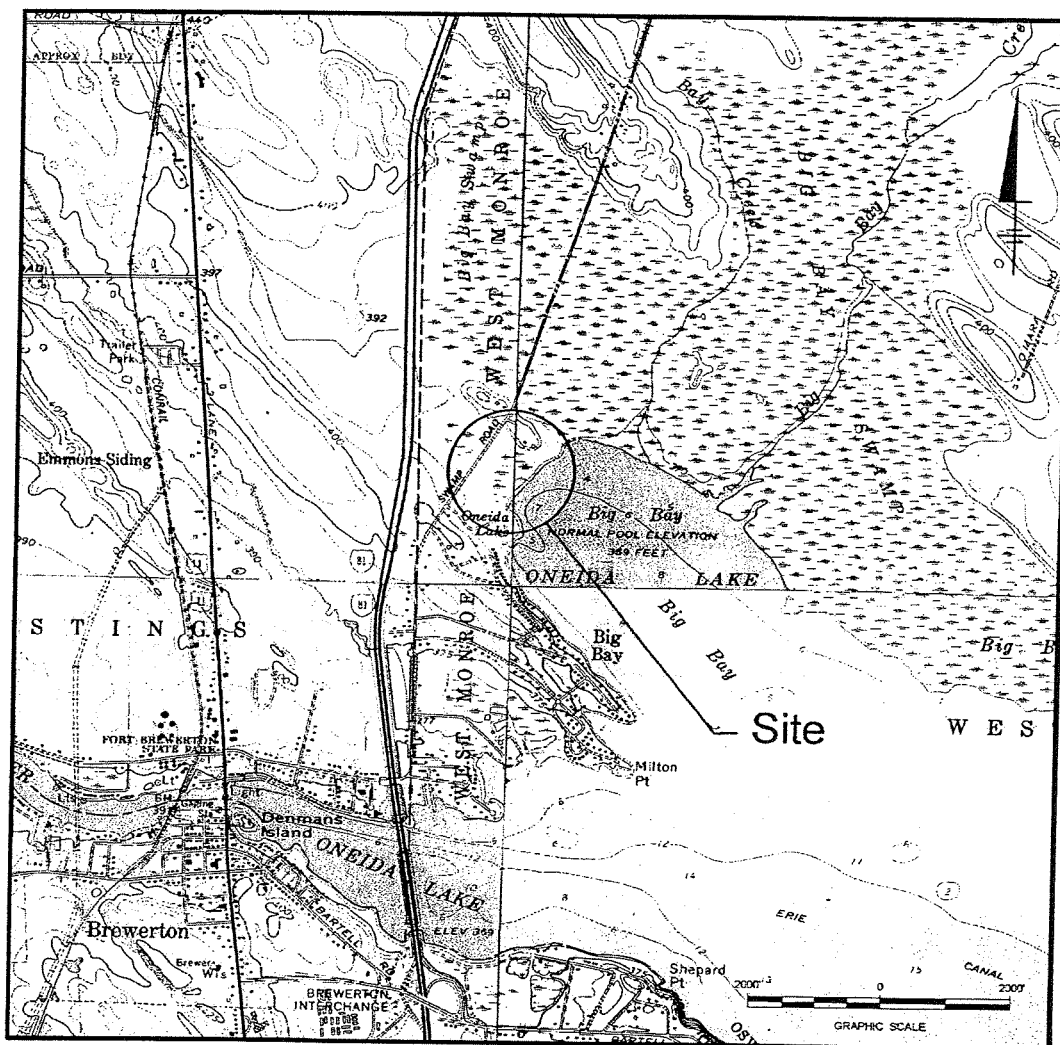
The decision to approve or deny this permit request will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among these are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties,

water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Paul G. Leuchner
Chief, Regulatory Branch

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SITE LOCATION MAP



WOOD KENNETH
D/A Processing No. 95-690-24(2)
Oswego County, New York Quad: CENTRAL
SQUARE
Sheet 1 of 3

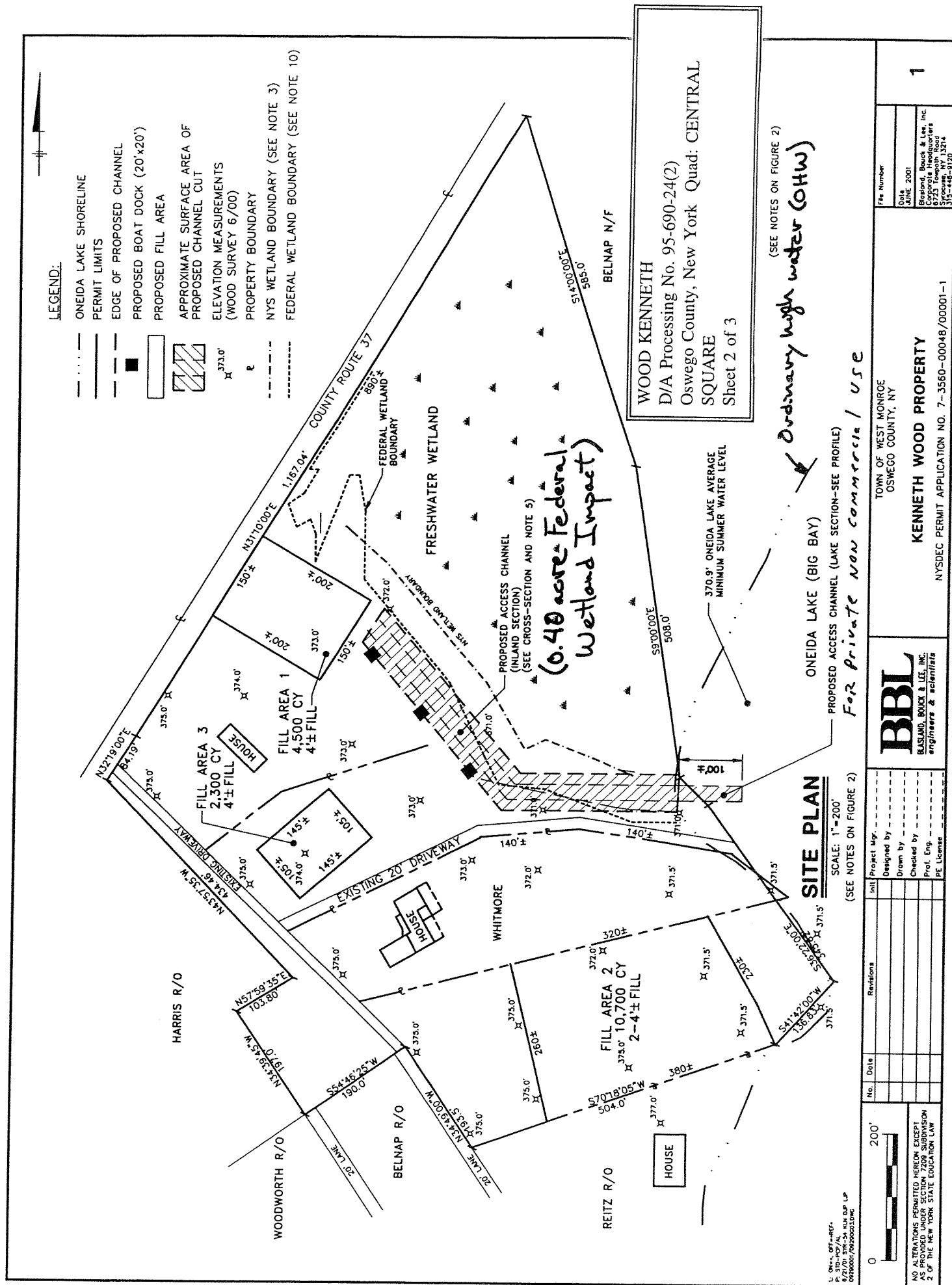
KENNETH WOOD PROPERTY — TOWN OF WEST MONROE
OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK
WETLAND DELINEATION REPORT

SITE LOCATION MAP

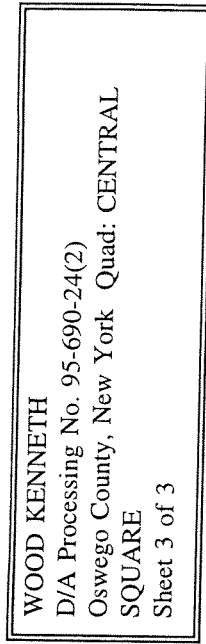
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FIGURE
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1. BASE MAP INFORMATION, INCLUDING ONEIDA LAKE SHORELINE, FROM MAPPING BY A SCOTT WHITTAKER, U.S. 7500 WOODWORTH ROAD, CENTRAL SQUARE, NY 13036, MAY 1981. LOCATION OF ALL FEATURES EXCEPT PROPERTY BOUNDARIES (PERMIT LIMITS), EDGE OF CHANNEL, AND WETLAND BOUNDARIES ARE APPROXIMATE, AND NOT BASED ON SURVEY INFORMATION.
2. ALL SPOT ELEVATIONS OBTAINED BY K. WOOD, OWNER.
3. NEW YORK STATE FRESHWATER WETLAND BOUNDARY MARKED BY K. WOOD AND ACCEPTED BY R. NOLAN, NYSDC (JUNE 2000). BOUNDARY SURVEYED BY BBL, INC., OCTOBER, 2000.
4. EXCAVATION WITHIN ONEIDA LAKE WILL BE MINIMIZED. ADEQUATE CONTROLS WILL BE USED DURING EXCAVATION TO PREVENT MIGRATION OF ANY RESUSPENDED SEDIMENTS.
5. DREDGED MATERIAL FROM THE ACCESS CHANNEL WILL BE USED AS FILL IN THE AREAS NOTED.
6. PROPOSED CHANNEL SLOPES ARE BASED UPON SOIL TYPES PRESENTED IN USDA SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE SOIL SURVEY OF OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK (1981).
7. THIS PLAN IS FOR PERMITTING PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT TO BE USED FOR CONSTRUCTION. PRE-CONSTRUCTION DUE-DILIGENCE (I.E. UTILITY SEARCH, ETC.) MUST BE PERFORMED PRIOR TO UNDERTAKING ANY WORK.
8. 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN ELEVATION EQUATES TO 373 FEET ABOVE MSL (FEWA, 1982).
9. AVERAGE WATER DEPTHS AND LAKE BOTTOM ELEVATIONS CALCULATED FROM INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE NEW YORK STATE THRUWAY AUTHORITY-SYRACUSE DIVISION AND KEN WOOD, PROPERTY OWNER.
10. FEDERAL WETLAND BOUNDARY DELINEATED BY BBL ON APRIL 9, 2001 IN ACCORDANCE WITH USACE WETLANDS DELINEATION MANUAL 1987 (DOCUMENT ADA 176 734).



PROPOSED ACCESS CHANNEL
(LAKE SECTION) PROFILE

SCALE HORIZ: 1"=20'
VERT: 1"=4'
(SEE NOTES 5 AND 9)



NO ALTERATIONS PERMITTED HEREON EXCEPT
AS PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 7209 SUBDIVISION
2 OF THE NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION LAW

TOWN OF WEST MONROE
OSWEGO COUNTY, NY

KENNETH WOOD PROPERTY

NYSDEC PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 7-3560-00048/00001-1

File Number

Date _____ TIME 7:00pm

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